

SENATE BILL 1667

By Jackson

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 70,  
Chapter 4, Part 1, relative to entry upon lands of  
another person.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 70-4-105, is amended by adding the  
following language as new subsection (c):

(c)

(1) Persons who enter upon the lands of another to shoot, hunt, trap or  
fish, or for other wildlife-related recreational purposes, shall not, through their  
actions, cause damage to any buildings, fences, crops, livestock or domestic  
animals, machinery, or other property while upon such lands.

(2) A violation of this subdivision (c)(1) is a Class C misdemeanor. Upon  
conviction for any violation of this subdivision (c)(1), the court may revoke the  
license of the person convicted. Any license so revoked shall be surrendered to  
the court.

(3) The provisions of this subsection (c) are enforceable and may be  
prosecuted by all officers of the wildlife resources agency, sheriffs and other  
peace officers charged with the enforcement of the laws of this state.

(4) The wildlife resources agency may promulgate rules and regulations  
to establish private lands incentive programs encouraging voluntary access to  
private lands for hunting, fishing or other wildlife-related recreation, while at the  
same time protecting the rights of private property owners.

SECTION 2. For purposes of rulemaking, this act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, this act shall take effect July 1, 2007, the public welfare requiring it.